

# Math 112

## MockExam 01

2022-02-01 (T)

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Instructions

Number of exercises : 6  
Permitted time : 75 minutes  
Permitted resources : None

Remarks:

- Manage your time deliberately.
- If the statement of an exercise is unclear to you, briefly (one sentence) write your understanding of the exercise, then proceed.
- Work hard, do your best, and have fun!

Exercise	Total	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	/10	/2	/2	/2	/2	/2
2	/8	/4	/4			
3	/12	/4	/4	/4		
4	/16	/4	/4	/4	/4	
5	/12	/4	/4	/4		
6	/12					
Total	/70					

## Exercise 1

(10 pt) True/False. For each of the following statements, circle whether it is true or false. No justification is necessary.

(a) (2 pt) The natural logarithm  $\ln a$  of a real number  $a$  can be negative.

true

false

(b) (2 pt) The exponential  $e^a$  of a real number  $a$  can be negative.

true

false

(c) (2 pt) Let  $f$  be a function. The domain (aka set of inputs) of its first-derivative function  $f'$  includes all points in the domain of  $f$ .

true

false

For parts (d) and (e), let  $f$  be a function defined on an open set containing a point  $a$ .

(d) (2 pt) If  $f$  is continuous at  $x = a$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists.

true

false

(e) (2 pt) If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists, then  $f$  is continuous at  $x = a$ .

true

false

## Exercise 2

(8 pt) Compute the following. (The answers are integers.)

(a) (4 pt) Let

$$e^a = 4\pi$$

$$e^b = 6\pi$$

$$e^c = 9\pi$$

Compute

$$e^{-3a-b-c} \cdot \frac{e^{5a-b+4c}}{(e^2)^b e^c}$$

(b) (4 pt) Let

$$\ln a = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\ln b = 3$$

$$\ln c = \frac{1}{2}$$

Compute

$$\ln \left( \frac{a^{15} b^{21} c^6}{a^{12} b^{22} c^2} \right) - \ln(a^2 - b^2) + \ln \left( \frac{a+b}{c} \right) + \ln(ac - bc)$$

### Exercise 3

(12 pt) Consider the piecewise function  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  whose rule of assignment is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 11 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ x^2 - 5 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

(a) (4 pt) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ . If the limit does not exist, explain. In either case, show your work.

(b) (4 pt) Is  $f$  continuous at  $x = 1$ ? Justify.

(c) (4 pt) Is the first-derivative function  $f'$  continuous at  $x = 1$ ? Justify.

### Exercise 4

(16 pt) Let  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be the function defined by

$$f(x) = -3x^4 + 4x^3 + 12x^2 - 10$$

- (a) (4 pt) Find the interval(s) on which  $f$  is increasing and decreasing.
- (b) (4 pt) Find the  $(x, y)$ -coordinates of each local minimum and maximum of  $f$ . State whether each is a local minimum or maximum of  $f$ .

(c) (4 pt) Find the global minimum and maximum of  $f$ .

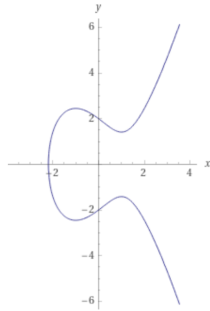
(d) (4 pt) Find the  $x$ -coordinate of each inflection point of  $f$ .

## Exercise 5

(12 pt) The graph of the equation

$$y^2 = x^3 - 3x + 4$$

shown below, is an example of an **elliptic curve**.<sup>1</sup>



- (a) (4 pt) Compute the rule of assignment for  $y'$ .
- (b) (4 pt) The graph suggests that the point  $(0, 2)$  is on the elliptic curve, and that the slope of the tangent line there is negative. Show, algebraically, that these statements are true.
- (c) (4 pt) Find the linearization to the elliptic curve at the point  $(0, 2)$ .

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<sup>1</sup>Elliptic curves have important applications in digital security (cryptography).



### Exercise 6

(12 pt) The base of a triangle is shrinking at a rate of 1 cm/s, and the height of the triangle is increasing at the rate of 5 cm/s. Find the rate at which the area of the triangle changes when the base is 10 cm and the height is 22 cm.